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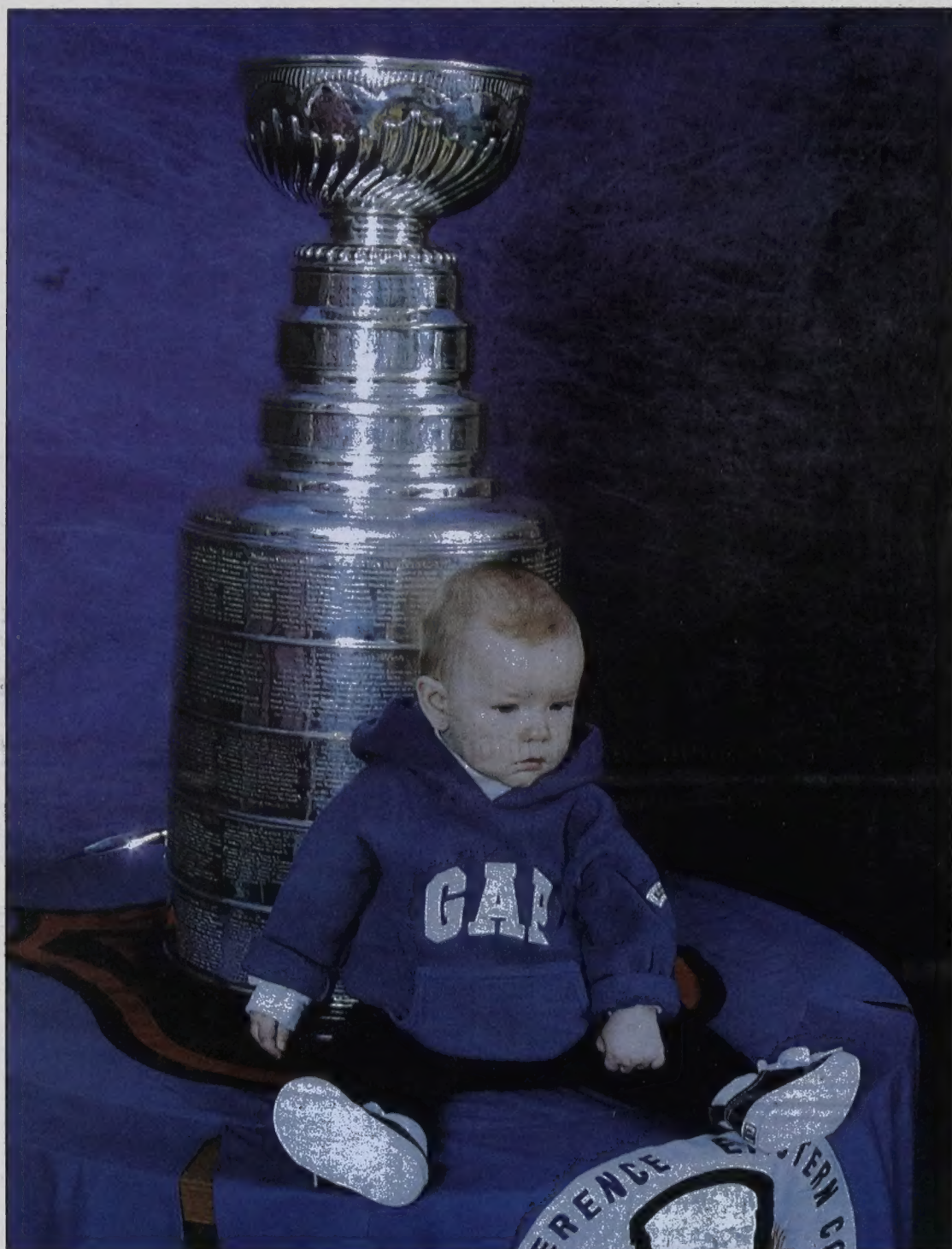
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Mitchell Billings, aged eight months, was one of the many people, young and old, who had their picture taken with the Stanley Cup. Mitchell is the son of Jason and Steacy Billings of Haliburton. The proceeds from the sale of photos will go to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. The Stanley Cup was at the Haliburton Curling Club Friday, during the Docs On Ice Hockey Tournament.

Lutterworth council has change of heart about voting by mail

Four of the five members of Lutterworth council have changed their minds regarding the vote by mail option for this fall's municipal election. The Lutterworth representatives at the Snowdon, Lutterworth, Anson, Hindon and Minden Transition Board meeting voted no to the option A week earlier. The main reason for the original Lutterworth decision seemed to be the cost, which was quoted at just over \$9,300 more than the 1997 election, which cost \$20,000 for the three municipalities. The cost per eligible voter (12,171) was \$1.64.

The estimated cost of the vote by mail process for the 2000 election is \$29,326. It should be noted that the number of eligible voters in the three municipalities has increased by 1908, for an estimated cost per eligible voter of \$2.08.

Mary Jane Irwin, clerk-treasurer of Lutterworth, told council that she was concerned she hadn't fully explained the pros of a vote by mail system. She noted that the percentage of eligible voters who actually cast a ballot over the past three elections has declined from a high of 14 per cent to a low of eight per cent at the last election. Irwin also pointed out that the fall of 2000 election will be a very important one because of the amalgamation. She made it clear that the additional \$9,326 quoted cost of the vote by mail program is for the three municipalities.

Other areas which have used vote by mail, have seen a significant increase in voter response. The percentages of eligible voters who actually exercised that right has jumped to 60 per cent and more. That translates to a better representation of taxpayers. Seniors and seasonal residents are two sectors which will benefit from the vote by mail system since it won't require a trip to a polling booth.

Vote by mail would also eliminate the need for advance polls and proxy voting.

Councillor Mike Wahlroth noted that the cost would be about 40 cents more per eligible voter.

Lutterworth deputy-reeve Lisa Mercer expressed the concern that Transition Board decisions won't have much meaning if they are revisited every time an unpopular decision is made. The vote had been taken at the Transition Board meeting and she was not comfortable with the fact that the issue was reopened. Mercer emphasized that she didn't vote no at the Transition Board as a way of limiting anyone's opportunity to vote.

Reeve Jim McMahon admitted that he began to have serious doubts about his no vote soon after the Transition Board meeting.

"Hindsight is always 20/20," McMahon admitted at the Lutterworth council meeting. "I recognized the fact that I had voted wrong."

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**Our next edition
appears April 25**

To accommodate the Easter Holiday weekend schedule, the next issue of The Times will be published on Tuesday, April 25. Next week's edition The Times will be delivered to the post office and area retail outlets on that date. Note: The Times office will be open Friday, April 21 and closed Monday, April 24. We hope our readers enjoy the Easter holiday weekend.

More hats in the election ring

Another candidate emerged for the position of reeve in the amalgamated jurisdiction that will include the municipalities of Snowdon, Lutterworth and Anson, Hindon and Minden, (SLAHM). Cheryl Murdoch filed her papers for the post last week.

"I thought about it for a year," the Lutterworth resident commented, "and have decided to make the switch," (to municipal politics). Murdoch has been a trustee on the school board for 22 years. "I have been fortunate to live here and enjoy what this area has to offer and feel I should continue to make

a contribution," she said.

Murdoch was a member of the former Haliburton County Board of Education representing Lutterworth Township. During that time she served three terms as chair. When the province amalgamated the Haliburton County Board with Victoria County and the District of Muskoka, she became the only trustee from this county. She served the first two years as chair of the amalgamated board and continues to represent the area on the board. Prior to the school board amalgamation she served as chair of the commis-

sion which oversaw the process which brought the three boards together.

"My time chairing the amalgamation will be valuable in the new municipality," she noted. "I know about how to deal with change." She described herself as a "neutral party" who has "no history" other than an interest in and knowledge of the area. "I think I have the time, energy and background to lead the new municipality."

Murdoch said she is interested in expanding the involvement of the ar-

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Members of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board and Foundation were joined by representatives of various area Municipal councils and MPP Chris Hodgson in a tour of the new HyLand Crest Wing of the Minden Hospital on Friday. The tour, led by construction supervisor Bruce Steinberg above in wearing the hard hat, offered an opportunity to view the different bedrooms, dining hall and washroom/shower facilities. Residents are being prepared to move in today and tomorrow. Following the tour in Minden, the group travelled to Haliburton for a visit to the long-term wing of that facility. The visitors were very impressed with the new accommodations at both locations.

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7:00 p.m.

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3:00 p.m. - St. Peter's, Maple Lake - The Crucifixion
7:00 p.m. - St. James', Kinmount - The Crucifixion

Holy Saturday April 22nd

6:00 p.m. - St. Paul's, Minden - Evening Prayer Vigil

The Sunday of the Resurrection April 23rd

8:00 a.m. - St. Paul's, Minden - Easter Eucharist *Pastor M. Everall*
9:15 a.m. - St. Peter's, Maple Lake - Easter Eucharist *Pastor T. Sharpe*
9:30 a.m. - St. John's, Irondale - Easter Eucharist *Pastor M. Everall*
11:00 a.m. - St. Paul's, Minden - Easter Eucharist *Pastor T. Sharpe*
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DINING DOCS: They came to play hockey, but they also needed to be fed. Friday evening 600 participants in the Docs On Ice Hockey Tournament gathered in the HHSS gymnasium in Haliburton to enjoy a meal and an address by former NHL player Ron Ellis and others. The gym floor was covered with carpet to protect the surface. Following the meal, many of the players watched a game between a team of doctors and NHL Oldtimers.



Poor air quality forces OPP to move

Concerns about air quality have resulted in the relocation of the Haliburton Highlands OPP administration office.

The OPP administration has moved temporarily to the building behind the current location pending results of air quality tests which were conducted on March 31 and April 12. The report is expected Wednesday, April 19.

Constable Laura Ostler,

the public relations officer with the Haliburton Highlands detachment, said the Ontario Realty Corporation, which owns the building, has arranged the testing.

OPP officials from the district office in Orillia have stated that the concerns are being addressed to insure there is no health risk. Services won't be affected by the temporary relocation of the detachment's administration.

Election field widens

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ea's "part-time residents". "These people are concerned about what happens here and their concerns must be taken into consideration," she commented. The candidate said she is interested in attracting new business to the area, however, she is also aware that the environment needs to be protected.

"I have started to do my homework," Murdoch stated. She has been attending council meetings and meetings of the transition board to become familiar with the issues confronting the new municipality. She

also thinks it is important for the candidates to be visible early because of the larger area and the new responsibilities.

Murdoch will remain as the county's representative on the school board until her term is completed at the end of the year.

Two other new candidates have also thrown their hats in the ring for the municipal election. Minden businessman John Cooper has announced he will be seeking a councillor position representing the Anson, Hindon and Minden ward and Darrell Selsky has filed papers for the position of

Councillor at large for the new municipality.

The current Deputy Reeve of Anson, Hindon and Minden, Jerry Rome, has filed for the reeve's position and Snowdon Reeve Ross Rigney has announced his intention to seek the Reeve's position.

Reports from the election clerks in the other three municipalities in the county, Stanhope and Sherborne, the four eastern municipalities (Monmouth, Glamorgan, Cardiff and Bicroft) and Dysart et al indicate that no one has officially registered for the fall election in those jurisdiction.

Future shape of Victoria County municipal government will be announced Wednesday

Victoria County residents will find out Wednesday what shape their municipal government will be taking in the future.

Harry Kitchen, the commissioner appointed by the provincial government to impose a solution, will deliver his report Wednesday, April 19, at 9 a.m. The report, which is being kept under wraps until later this week, is entitled *Municipal Government for Victoria County: A New Beginning*.

The commissioner was appointed by the province after several attempts within the county to reach a consensus on restructuring failed. Several municipi-

palities appealed to the province to sort out what to them appeared to be an impasse and Kitchen, a Trent University Professor, was appointed.

His decision is binding and cannot be challenged. In an interim report released in early February, Kitchen suggested three scenarios: A two tier system similar to the current municipal structure, however with a reduction in the number of municipalities from 16 to 4; A single tier government covering the entire county; and three separate municipalities created from the town of Lindsay and Ops, the remaining townships south of the Trent Canal

and those north of the canal.

A number of public meetings were held throughout the county, at which the debate became quite heated. In the northern section of the county, the interest was particularly intense, since three municipalities, Somerville, Laxton Digby and Longford and Bexley had started to discuss the amalgamations of their three jurisdictions. While the three still had a way to go to reach a complete consensus, it appeared they were on track to complete the amalgamation before this year's municipal elections in November.

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Chamber hopes new attractions will turn the Highlands into a hot destination

by Matthew Sittler

Outdoor sports activity enthusiasts have always found a home in Haliburton County, but when the local chamber of commerce's hopes and plans are implemented, county residents will be seeing a wider variety and larger number of them.

Public turn-out and response to tourism-related shows such as the recent Cottage Fest in Pickering, the London Boat and Cottage show and the Sportsman's Show in Toronto have all identified what can be broadly described as the outdoor adventure/experience and/or lifestyle as booming markets. These activities which include kayaking and ATV trail-riding are extremely popular among those in the under-35 age bracket, people who have a large amount of disposable income.

"We have to make observations regarding what people are looking for," says Peter Rigby, General Manager and Economic Developer for the Minden Chamber of Commerce. "If we find that there is a gap within the market because we don't have somebody that is offering a particular activity, for example ATV trails, then we have to find out if there is an interest in developing ATV-type activities in order to bring that particular group of people into the area."

The growing demand from groups who are willing to spend the money and bring new revenue into the Highlands is becoming one area of intense focus from the Chamber of Commerce's standpoint. In addition to the area's staple outdoor activities such as cross-country skiing, mountain-biking, hiking and snowmobiling, the Chamber would like to develop an environment that incorporates these past activities



Chamber manager Peter Rigby: looking for new ideas and attractions.

while promoting the new ones as well.

"We are looking at enhancing the marketing of the product that is out there as well," says Rigby. "We are looking forward to developing advertising and working with groups such as Tourism and Trails to create partnerships which will advance promotion of the county."

While the chamber has a website, there are plans to develop a "gateway" site in conjunction with it. At this site, people not familiar with the area, will

be able to find information on and about the different places and outdoor events that the county has to offer. This is one way that the Chamber hopes to attract interest in activities both old and new.

Rigby says that, through advertising and promotion, new sports will find a home in the area. "Trade shows are a big component of what we are doing," he says. "As well, each year there are about four or five provincial publications that we have information appearing in." This, coupled with possible television and radio advertising, contributes to the pro-active stance that the Chamber is taking in response to the overwhelming demand by outdoor sports enthusiasts.

One example of a different outdoor activity found in the area already is the "Walk in the Clouds", a suspended board walkway, 100 feet in

the air, located in the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife. "There are three 'Walk in the Clouds' in the world," says Rigby. "When they are finished doing improvements on it this year, it (the Haliburton site) will be the longest one in the world." Promoting activities such as this, is one way the Chamber can draw new and repeat visitors to the Highlands.

The Chamber of Commerce in collaboration with the Haliburton County Development Corporation is putting together a survey, due out in the upcoming month, which will identify what activities and attraction appeal to seasonal and permanent residents. "This will allow us to take a look at what it is people are requiring," says Rigby, "and basically to react accordingly."

The Chamber is in the middle of a change from a fulfillment operation to a design and implementation setup. "We are looking at websites, and print media to create a full marketing package," says Rigby. "At the same time, we are looking for opportunities to encourage the development of the county activities that are different and unique."

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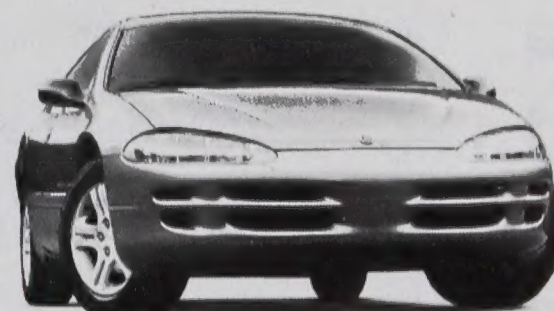
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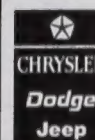
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Hats off to Grease

We have always been aware of the depth of talent residents of our community have to share. However, we continue to be amazed when they are brought together in a co-ordinated fashion.

Such was the case during the past two weeks when the students of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School presented the fun-filled musical, Grease. There was little doubt that this production was going to be popular. Tickets sold early and briskly. Even seats for the additional performance added to the schedule disappeared like "greased lightning".

Much of the credit for the overwhelming success of the show must go to the efforts of drama teacher Darrell Dobson. He has brought an enthusiasm and drive to the development of dramatic arts that has fired the imagination of the students, his colleagues and others in the community. A production of this size could not have occurred without the careful and inspiring leadership he brought to the project.

But, when the house lights dim and the music swells, it is the students

who must take that inspiration and turn it into a polished, exciting performance.... and that is exactly what they did. Led by the dynamic performances of the lead characters, through the solid interpretation of the entire ensemble, Grease was a delight to see. And, while it is the performers who capture our admiration, they are backed by many unseen contributors, mostly students, who managed the myriad

details which make a production like this happen with an ease that is deceptive.

So, before the last strains of the finale fade from our ears, we add our voice to the many heard throughout the county in praise of the efforts of everyone involved in the production of Grease. Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you for sharing your many talents with the community.

jb

Times change

The creation of new municipalities in the county provides an excellent opportunity to update the way politicians are elected.

At the moment, voters must travel to polling stations located in the Highlands to cast their ballots. For the majority of taxpayers who live outside the county, this is often difficult, time-consuming and in fact disenfranchises them. Area municipalities are currently examining a number of options including voting by mail. (Admittedly, an attempt during the last municipal election to

set up polling booths in the Toronto area to accommodate seasonal residents was less than successful.)

The future will provide many opportunities to make it easier for ratepayers to have their say. In addition to mail-in voting, there is voting by phone and email. If we are creating new communities for the future, we should also be embracing the new technologies which will encourage as many taxpayers as possible, wherever they live, to be a part of the decision making process.

jb

Clean-up is over-due

Editor:

It pains me to have to write this letter. My concern is to the physical appearance of our lovely little town called Minden.

It seems to me that we are the only community within Haliburton and Victoria Counties which is not concerned about the upkeep within our community. Based upon the amount of taxes the residents, business, and commercial owners pay, we seem to get the least amount of services for our tax dollars. It is unfortunate with the arrival of spring,

and numerous requests, that we cannot even get the winter residue removed from our streets.

I have been told by the people who make these decisions that they want to be sure winter is essentially over before this task will be completed. Other communities such as Haliburton, Cobocok, Bobcaygeon, Fenelon Falls have taken the initiative to clean up their towns in an effort to promote beautiful, well-maintained and inviting environments.

These communities have the ratepayers' needs and concerns at heart.

Positive, clean environments promote growth in residential areas, business areas and encourage seasonal visitors. Minden is literally being left in the dust.

Am I the only concerned citizen in this town? If you feel the same way, then please do not hesitate to call me or contact our elected council with your concerns. It is easier to ignore a few ratepayers, but it is hard to ignore a voting majority!

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An ode to Minden

Sarah McKnight emailed the following note which we would like to share with our readers:

Here is a poem by my cousin Stephanie Bowman, (age 12, a student at Runnymede Public school in Toronto), who visits us at our cottage on Mountain Lake:

Minden

There is a small little town called Minden, a beautiful, fun-filled holiday place

That is spoken of quite very often with pretty blue lakes of majestic grace.

The water is great for all kinds of sports, swimming, water-skiing, tubing, and more.

There are good places to build a tree fort. If you want to fish there are bass galore.

Rolling, mountainous terrain so regal surrounding the village boutiques and shops.

Gulls, blue jays, ospreys soar with the eagles.

Of all the resorts here in our nation

Minden's the one I like to vacation.

Board wants students to score higher in provincial tests

Students in grades 3 and 6 across the Trillium Lakelands District School Board will benefit from a plan aimed at maintaining or raising their scores on the province's standardized tests. Trustees approved the action plan at a recent meeting in Lindsay.

The goal for grade 3 is a 5% increase in the number of students meeting or exceeding the provincial standard in reading and writing in next May's assessment, and to increase and maintain the percentage of students meeting or exceeding the standard in math. The plan emphasizes writing, as well as measurement, geometry and spatial skills.

For grade 6, the goal is to increase by 5% the number of students who are meeting or exceeding the provincial standard in reading, writing and math on the May 2001 tests. Specific areas of emphasis include several math concepts such as problem solving, measurement, and geometry/spatial sense, as well as all writing skills and students' ability to communicate and organize ideas in the area of reading.

The action plan also identifies several ways to help teachers assess their students' progress in order to provide any needed assistance. It provides for a wide range of support,

including new teacher resources, texts and math objects, and continuing training for teachers and principals.

The standardized tests are conducted by the Education Quality and Accountability Office. School boards are required to review test results, then submit an action plan for improvement to EQAO.

(From a press release issued by the Trillium Lakelands District School Board.)

The rules

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Canadian money is strictly for the birds

A reporter once asked the then-Premier of Ontario, William Davis, how come he was so successful given that he was so, well, boring. Davis smiled his trademark Cheshire cat smile and murmured "Bland works."

It sure does - in Canada anyway. How else to explain charisma kings like Preston Manning and Joe Clark? Our reverence for curling? The fact that a TV program as soporific as Front Page Challenge stayed on the air longer than the Ming Dynasty?

We Canucks seem to work at bland - but every once in a while somebody throws a change-up and we become (albeit briefly) downright fascinating.

It happened in 1986 when, out of the blue, The Bank of Canada inexplicably issued a whole new series of bank notes. Gone were the fussy, dowdy old ones, fives, tens and twenties. The new bills were technicoloured works of art. A gorgeous kingfisher perched on the back of our five-spot. The ten dollar bill featured an osprey, wings spread, clutching a fish dinner in its talons. The twenty had a loon on it. The fifty showed a magnificent snowy owl against a sunset-pink Barren Lands background. The century note sports (so I'm told) a gorgeous Canada Goose.

In short, suddenly we Canadians were getting a kaleidoscopic pleasure jolt every time we opened our wallets or purses. Our currency was spectacular. It made U.S. paper money look like Eleanor Rigby on a bad hair day. Canada had the most beautiful folding money on the planet.

So naturally, the geniuses in Ottawa have decided to scrap it. That's right - the birds have been shot down.

They are to be replaced by - are you ready for this? - portraits of famous Canadians. How famous?

Not very. Okay, Nellie McClung may be a household name, but have you ever heard of Emily Murphy? Louise McKinney? Irene Parlby? Henriette Muir Edwards?

Well, you'll be carrying them around in your pocket before long. No knock on the ladies - they did a lot to convince Canada's antediluvian Supreme Court that women were in fact actual human beings. (Honest to God, our Supreme Court ruled to the contrary in 1928). The ladies changed that and deserve recognition. Fine.

Putting them on a plaque would be okay by me. Erect statues of them in a park if you want - but why wreck our perfectly good-looking money to feature postage-stamp portraits of five

-admittedly worthy - Canadians?

Actually, let's trim that back to four worthy Canadians. I'm going to have a tough time warming to the monetary deification of Emily Murphy. Ms. Murphy was a police magistrate in Alberta and president of the Canadian Women's Press Club, but she probably would have been more comfortable as recording secretary for the Ku Klux Klan. The woman could easily have broken bread with Joseph Goebbels.

Ms. Murphy was viciously and publicly anti-Semitic. She blanket-branded all Chinese Canadians 'traitors'. She wrote under the cloyingly arch pseudonym of Janey Canuck and filled a lot of newsprint hectoring her fellow Lily-Whites about the dire and evil threat of "the black and yellow races". Quite a role model for Canadian kids, alright.

Nobody asked me, but I can think of a way we could both recognize Ms. Murphy and cling to our monetary avian motif.

All we need to do is pick a bird substitute for the lady and put it on the back of, say, the \$1,000 bill, so that not too many Canadians would have to look at her anyway.

The feathered substitute?

A natural. The turkey vulture, of course.

Chamber of Commerce re-activates business-to-business meetings

by Peter Rigby, Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce

This is the first column from the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce about business in the County. It is our hopes that we will be able to provide the readers with information that is useful, beneficial and thought provoking, to keep you informed about what is going on and to provide you with tips that will help your business.

Events

An invitation is extended to all businesses in the County of Haliburton to attend a Chamber of Commerce Business-To-Business meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, at Sunny Rock Lodge Bed & Breakfast. This is the first Business-to-Business meeting to be held by the newly re-defined Chamber and we strongly encourage local businesses to join us to find out what is happening within the Chamber and your County. At this meeting the Chamber will be unveiling the new marketing plan for the County for both Tourism and Economic Development. Come and meet the Directors and General Manager of the Chamber, talk to us about issues that matter to you. Call the Chamber at 286-1760 for directions to Sunny Rock and to advise us of your participation.

Speaking of Directors, the following are the 1999 - 2000 Chamber Directors: President, Dennis Casey, Birch Point Lodge; Past President, Bryan Kernohan, J. A. C. Kernohan Construction; Secretary, Dianne Graham, Agnes Jamison Gallery; Treasurer, Peggy Cassils, Regal Capital Planners; Vice President, Dianna Ferguson, Gloucester Organization Inc.; Don Gage, Willow Beach Cottages; Andy Priestman, The Terrace Inn; Gail Leach-Wunker, Miners Bay Lodge; Gerry Vandenbrink, Applied Stress Technology; Rickie Woods, Potter; Jessie Pflug, Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast; and Reeve Ross Rigney, of Snowdon Township, County Representative.

Surfing The Net

As most of you are aware, you can find answers to just about anything you ever wanted to know on the Internet, but the difficulty can be in trying to weed out what is relevant and what is not. In each column we will provide you with leads to various business web sites that can provide you with useful and relevant information. Our suggested site today is <http://www.virtualpromote.com>, an electronic newsletter that will provide you with tips on how to market your business on the Internet.

Workshops

As part of its continuing effort to provide business relevant information, the Chamber will be providing leads to workshops that will benefit your business. The Chamber will sponsor some of these workshops, while other will be available through other organizations. Please make note of the following:

- May 2, 2000: "Creating A PR Action Plan". Defining the objectives of public relations and developing media relation programs.

- October 17, 2000: "Communicating With Powerful Images" The exploration of a variety of promotional tools, from posters to web sites.

If you are interested in finding out more about these programs, contact the Chamber.

Good news

Each column will contain bits of good news stories on local business. New openings, promotions, retirements, anniversaries, contracts awarded or won, but we can't do it without your help. If you have or know of a good news story and want to have it included, contact the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and we will put it into our next newsletter and column.

Lutterworth's support gives green light to mail-in voting

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McMahon added that he felt the option could have been better explained. He said the additional 44 cents per voter would be well worth the expense when it will give all of the voters an equal opportunity to cast their ballots.

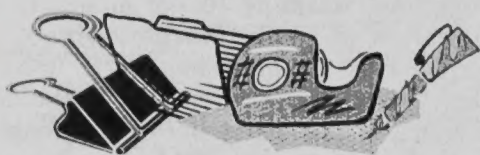
Councillor Bill Valentine said he had heard rumours circulating that he was the instigator of the Lutterworth no vote, a rumor which he adamantly denied.

Valentine wondered aloud why Lutterworth and Snowdon representatives were even asked to vote on the option when Minden had been asked to organize the voting process for the coming election. It was speculated that Anson, Hindon and Minden clerk-treasurer Tammy McKelvey asked the other municipalities as a courtesy.

Valentine noted that Dysart had set up an advance polling station in Toronto in an effort to give seasonal residents a better opportunity to vote and asked if that option had been considered. Irwin said the Dysart experiment was "worthless."

After 15 minutes of discussion, a recorded vote on the issue resulted in a motion being carried reversing Lutterworth's position on the vote by mail option. Only councillor Heather Hope remained opposed in the 4-1 vote.

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Sports

Lob Ball

Minden Mixed Lob Ball registration will be held at the Minden arena lobby April 25 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Lester brothers wrap up incredible racing season

Special to The Times

The final round of the Canadian Sno-Cross Racing Association (CSRA) season was held this past weekend at Searchmount Ski Resort outside Sault Ste. Marie. In direct contrast to the winter's mild weather, the weekend of racing, which included almost 800 entries from across Canada and the USA, turned out cold and wintry, making for exciting racing on the huge race course.

Fifteen year-old AJ Lester wrapped up the 2000 season in fine style. Racing his Prentice Power Sports of Minden, Snowmobiler/SUPERTRAX Magazine sponsored Ski-Doo 440 MX-ZX with skilful tuning provided by his ace wrench Steve Charity, AJ knocked

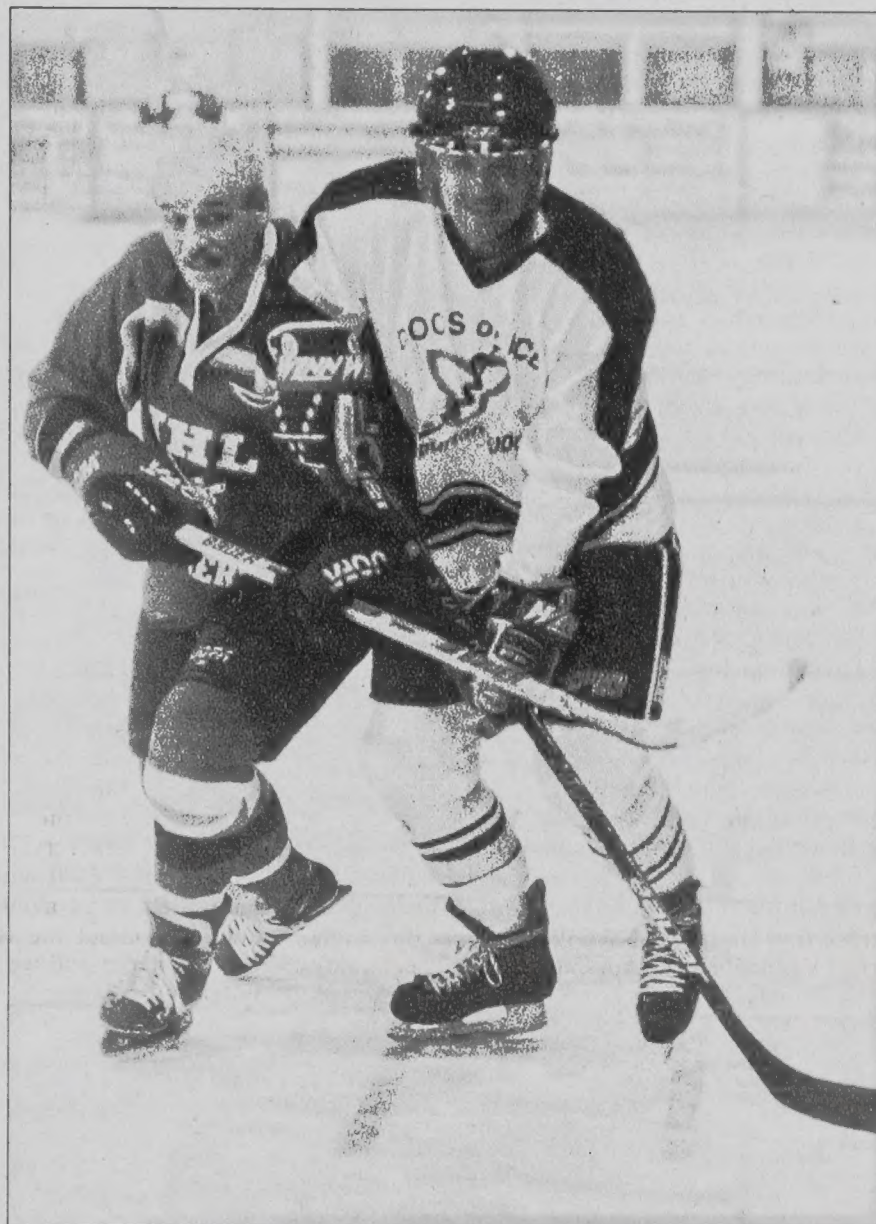
the crowd out on Saturday by winning every time he put skies on the race course. Charity pulled out all the stops and gave AJ the power he needed to rocket his Ski-Doo up the ski hill at speeds exceeding 120 kilometres an hour while flying through the air off huge jumps. In qualifying for Sport 500, 600 and Open, AJ took solid wins. He then won the Sport 500 final for the fourth time this season and clinched second overall in the CSRA's Sport 500 class for 2000.

AJ scored a solid second in Sport 440 Fan and provided some of the weekend's best racing in Sport Open, with a run to the checkers which put the crowd in a frenzy as he powered to

(more on page 10)



TOP GUN: Luke Lester is seen here during a recent competition. He finished the season with championship victories in the CSRA 440/500 and 440 Fan Semi-Pro classes



Docs vs. NHL Oldtimers

Hockey fans in Haliburton and Minden were treated to a couple of evenings of nostalgia this past weekend when several former National Hockey League players were in the area to take on teams of doctors who were participating in the Docs On Ice Hockey Tournament. The action above is from the game in Haliburton Friday evening. The player on the left is NHL legend Norm Ullman, who played for the Detroit Red Wings and Toronto Maple Leafs, racking up 1229 regular season points (490 goals and 739 assists) and 83 playoff points (30 goals and 53 assists in 106 games) along the way. Although he never had his name engraved on Lord Stanley's Mug, he is considered one of the league's premium centremen. He started his career with the Red Wings the season after they won the Cup in 1955 and joined the Leafs the year after they last won the trophy in 1967. Ullman was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1982.

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Luke Lester wins two Semi-Pro championships

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an eventual second-place finish. By virtue of AJ's 1-2-2 finishes on the weekend, he claimed second over-all in Sport 500, Sport Open and third in Sport 600.

AJ has raced the entire 2000 season under special permission from the CSRA as a fifteen year-old, two years underage according to international racing rules for the Sport Class.

Nineteen year-old Luke Lester topped off his second season in the CSRA's Semi-Pro division by winning two of the divisions four class championships! Luke rode his Janssen's of Muskoka, SUPERTRAX/Ontario Snowmobiler Magazine sponsored Polaris Indy Edge sleds to top qualifying finishes on Saturday, April 8.

In what has become increasingly clear all season long, Luke's mechanic Tim George continued to provide Luke with the fastest Polaris sno-cross sleds in Canada. George's setups gave Luke strong starts and awesome top speed, netting him a third in the Semi-Pro 440/500 final on Saturday and, as a result, the 2000 CSRA 440/500 Semi-Pro Class Championship.

In Sunday's final rounds Luke needed to score only a 10th in the Semi-Pro 440 Fan class final to wrap up another season championship.

Luke used the power of his Indy XC-F Edge to hammer the competition with a convincing win for the day and the CSRA's Semi-Pro 440 Fan title for

2000. Luke's incredible score for the 2000 season includes impressive results in Semi-Pro 600 and Open. He rode to a solid second place finish in Semi-Pro 600, which cemented his second place overall in that class for 2000.

In Semi-Pro Open racing, Luke used the impressive power of his Open-Edge to score a second in the final race of the season and to score another second overall in the CSRA's Semi-Pro Open Class. Luke's first overall in Semi-Pro

440 Fan and Semi-Pro 440/500 combined with his second overall scores in Semi-Pro 600 and Open netted him Second Over-all in the CSRA's Semi-Pro Division for 2000.



AIRBORNE: AJ Lester takes a jump in stride during a recent Sport class race. He finished the season in second place overall in the sport division. The 15 year-old Minden resident had to get special permission to race in the Sport division because he is two years younger than the usual minimum age limit.



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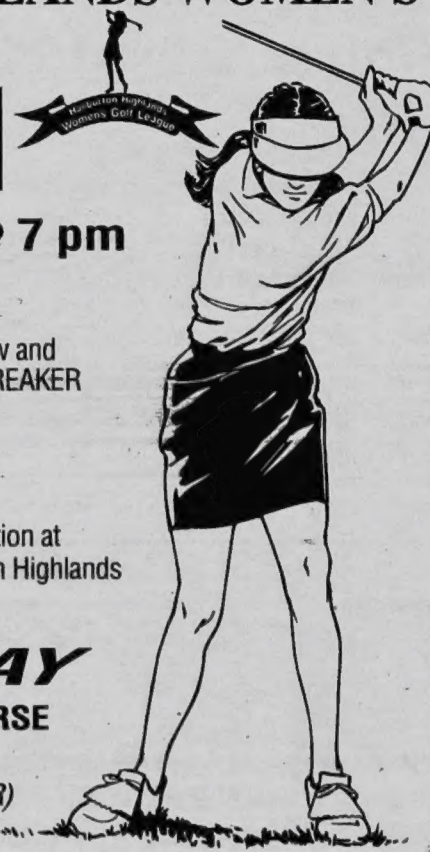
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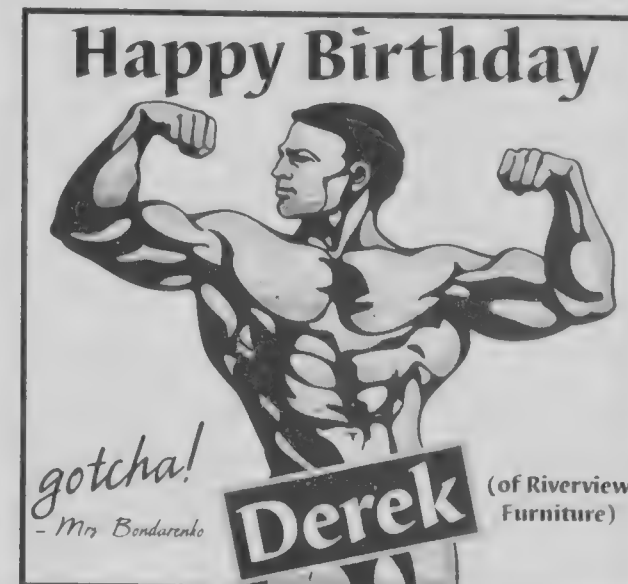
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LOADS OF FUN: On Monday, April 4, Grade 7 and 8 students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School took on the OPP in a game of hockey. Along with the laughs, the police provided the kids with pizza after the game. The final score: OPP 9--Kids 8. (See page 29 for a student report on the game.)



Karen Prozak tops Peewees with 115 single

Youth Bowling Council

Smurf

High average: Bailey Cole 60
High single: Bailey Cole 76
High double: Bailey Cole 148

Peewee

High average: Eric Whitty 110;
Hillary Anderson 94
High single: Jesse Walker 101;
Karen Prozak 115
High double: Eric Whitty 224;
Hillary Anderson 245

Bantam

High average: Jake Walker 127;

Brandy Cole 122

High single: Robert Cox 156;
Sarah Prozak 138

High triple: Brad Brown 495; Tori
Brown 328

Junior

High average: Brad Mickel 175;
Lesley Cox 143

High single: Jeff Mickel 214;
Lesley Cox 172

High single (handicap): Justin
McKelvey 261; Lesley Cox 217

High triple: Jeff Mickel 521;
Lesley Cox 483

High triple (handicap): Justin
McKelvey 630; Lesley Cox 618

Senior

High average: Matt Reinwald 196;
Kelly Berry 169

High single: Dennis Cox 240;
Kelly Berry 202

High single (handicap): Matt Hogg
242

High triple: Dennis Cox 656;
Kelly Berry 525

High triple (handicap): Scott
Philip 622

High single of 329 recorded by Ken Thompson

Carnarvon Bowling Leagues

Wednesday Afternoon Mixed League

High average: Ken Thompson 238;
Marie Thompson 190
High single: Ken Thompson 278;
Marie Thompson 265

High single (handicap): Bob
Bullen 305; Marie Thompson 294

High triple: Ken Thompson 724;
Marie Thompson 650

High triple (handicap): Bob

Bullen 723; Marie Thompson 737
Guest bowler Eric Whitty, aged
seven, rolled a 421 triple.

Thursday Afternoon Mixed League

High average: Ken Thompson 225;
Josie Cheesman 178

High single: Ken Thompson 329;
Josie Cheesman 258

High single (handicap): Fred
Gregory 275; Bernice Gilles 260

High triple: Ken Thompson 750;
Josie Cheesman 779

High triple (handicap): Walter
Braker 704; Bernice Gilles 694

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WEDNESDAY LADIES: The top Ladies' team of the Championship Day at the Minden Curling Club was (l to r): Lead Pat Lowrey, second Gayle McConnell, vice Marilyn Burrows and skip Cheryl Murdoch.



MONDAY MIXED: Championship Day winners from the Monday Mixed League included, left to right: Lead Carol Gillespie, second Ted Anthon, vice Jean Hewitt and skip Dave McKay.



THURSDAY MEN'S: The top Championship Day team of the Thursday Men's League included, from the left: Lead Gord Monk, skip Dave McKay, vice Erskine Flook and second Don Ballantyne.



FRIDAY MIXED: Championship Day's top honours for the Friday Mixed League went to the rink of Elizabeth Wright (lead), Walter Braker (second), Viola Walsh (vice) and George Hewitt (skip).

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Thanks
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everyone
for a
great
curling
season



by Sandy Cole

The regular club annual Awards Banquet and Dance was held at the club this past Saturday. This event was held to honour this year's top curlers and provide us with a time when all the curlers and guests could get together and socialize over a fine meal, then dance the night away.

Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks to this year's executive members for all their hard work on this night as well as the season as a whole. It takes many hands working together to make any organization run well and you all did a great job.

Although the curling season is officially over, you will still feel our presence around town as this year's only fundraiser "The Minden Curling Club Cookbook" will be on sale throughout the village. You can pick up your copy at: The Minden Times, Dollo's IGA, Easton's Valu-mart, Minden IDA, Stedmans, Minden Jug City, Golden's Stationery, Campbell's Flower Shop and Coneybeare's Butcher Shop. I would like to thank everyone who purchases a cookbook because your dollars help us to run a fine junior program and a club that people of all ages can use for healthy recreation and social entertainment.

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High triple: Eric Stearns 525; Sheila Burke 577

High triple (handicap): Harvey Bunker 678; Sheila Burke 739

Theresa Fox 246

High single (handicap): Ron Earle 262; Theresa Fox 293

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High average: Scott Moore 243

High single: Len Punt Sr. 273

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Thursday Afternoon Seniors' League

High average: Ray Lymer 197; Helen Dentinger 167

High single: Ray Lymer 302; Janice Hughes 243

High triple: Ben Dentinger 648; Janice Hughes 557

Thursday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 231; Michelle Moore 218

High single: Dan Chumbley 268; Joan Rivard 234

High single (handicap): Dan Chumbley 312; Sue Titus 270

High triple: Dennis Cox 691; Joan Rivard 626

High triple (handicap): Dennis Cox 802; Joan Rivard 731

Monday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 237; Michelle Moore 204

High single: Scott Moore 267; Lisa Besner 181

High single (POA): Craig Philip +23; June Philip +18

High triple: Scott Moore 705; Teresa Clement 501

High triple (POA): Doug Schell +43; June Philip +47

Tuesday Night Mixed League

(March 28)

High average: Walt Stegmaier 225; Cathy Snell 235

High single: Alex Little 277; Gail Goldenberg 224

High single (handicap): Ted Harrison 296; Gina Teljeur 270

High triple: Alex Little 719; Gail Goldenberg 571

High triple (handicap): Ted Harrison 771; Gina Teljeur 659

Tuesday Night Mixed League

(April 4)

High average: Walt Stegmaier 225; Cathy Snell 235

High single: Carl Packard 308; Alice Balcombe 236

High single (handicap): Alex Little 313; Vera Wahlroth 246

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Good news for the Trails and Tours Network

- Submitted -

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network is pleased to announce that Rachel Gillooly has been chosen as the new Trails and Tours Co-ordinator. Rachel and her family live in Moore Falls and have been active users of the county's trail system for many years. Rachel has extensive experience in project management, working with volunteer boards and committees, organizing conferences and she has a wealth of wisdom to share in fund-raising. We are very pleased to welcome her aboard.

Rachel is replacing Jan Thomas who co-ordinated the Network for almost two years. Jan has done an excellent job getting the Network established and positioning it for a bright future. She is moving to the Orillia area to join her husband and to seek new challenges.

Trails and Tours has the Trillium Foundation to thank for continuing the co-ordination of the Network. On March 27, the Network heard the good news that the Foundation approved a grant of \$25,000 for the Co-ordinator's position and continuing operations of the Network. This funding allows the Network to continue to strive towards sustainability and puts the wheels on the three year action plan that was recently adopted by the board.

Drop by the Chamber of Commerce office in Minden to meet Rachel. While in the office, check out some of the interesting projects

Victim crisis assistance and referral service available

- Submitted -

Dealing with a crisis is something we may all face at some point in our lives. Physical, sexual or emotional abuse, homicide, suicide, sudden death or property crime can strike anyone at any time. In addition to fear, rage, isolation and confusion, victims may experience intense mental and physical distress.

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(more on page 28)

that Trails and Tours has under way.

We have been working very hard over the last year to reach our stated goals through the achievement of the following objectives:

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2. Improving the quality of trails and tours
3. Increasing the quantity of trails and tours
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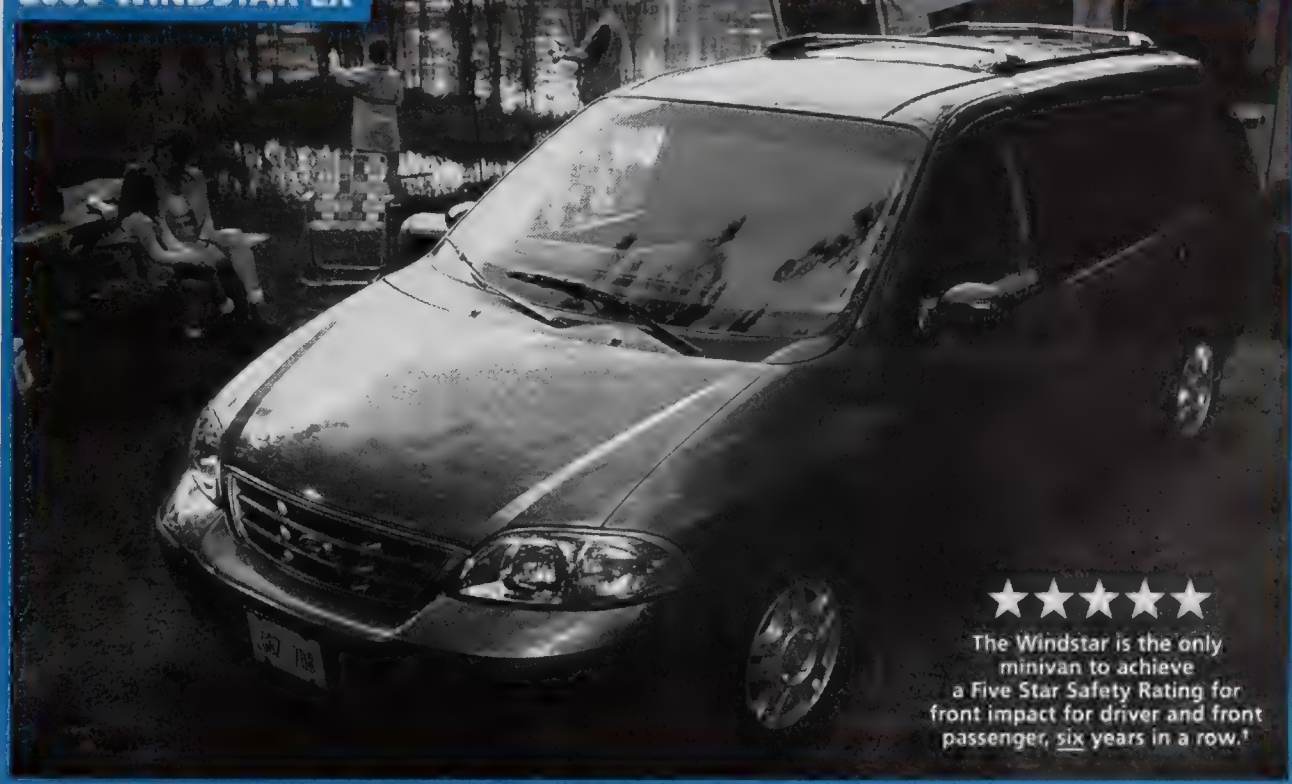
7. Co-ordinating all activities of the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network.

It's never too late to get involved! There are many ways to support the Network and the many individuals who care about making Haliburton County a "natural" destination. You can volunteer for one of our projects, volunteer a morning/afternoon or day in our office, buy a single, family, organizational or business friends membership or bring an issue or idea to one of our board meetings.

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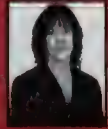
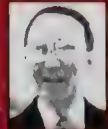
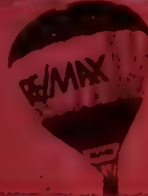
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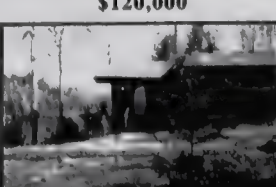
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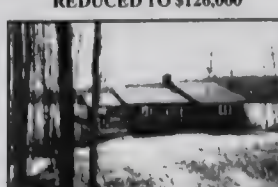
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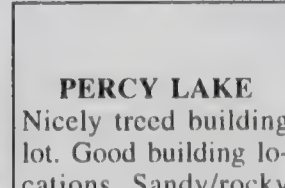


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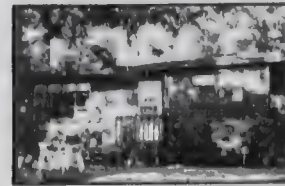
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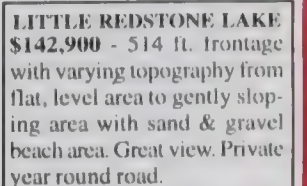
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100 year-old helps stock first HHOA-raised Haliburton strain lake trout

by Jerry Grozelle

A millennium project, which started with the collection of lake trout eggs from Halls Lake fish in October of 1998, came to fruition last week.

The first Haliburton strain of lake trout which were raised at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Hatchery have been stocked into some Highlands lakes. The first few fish were put into Miskwabi Lake on April 13 by Tom Cox, who cel-

ebrated his 100th birthday less than two weeks earlier, on April 1.

Ministry of Natural Resources fisheries extension biologist David Flowers, from the Minden office, said the focus of the project is to re-establish the Haliburton strain of lake trout in lakes where they have diminished or disappeared. The strain will also be stocked along with other hatchery fish (from the MNR Hatchery in North Bay) to determine the success of the two different strains. To monitor the success, anglers will be asked to participate in a creel census over the next several years. Each strain of stocked fish

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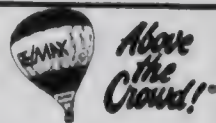
SPECIAL OCCASION: It was a special occasion Thursday morning when 100 year-old Tom Cox put the first Haliburton strain lake trout raised at the HHOA Hatchery into Miskwabi Lake. The fish are the first of the "glacial relics" raised from Halls Lake eggs which were collected in October of 1998. Seen at right are hatchery chairman John Ball, Ryan Sisson, Tom Cox and Ryan Newbatt (left to right).



NEW HOME: Volunteers, including HHSS student Ryan Sisson (left) helped stock 2,600 Haliburton strain lake trout into Miskwabi Lake Thursday. The trout were raised at the HHOA Fish Hatchery.

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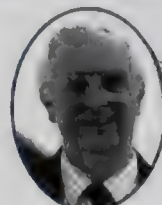
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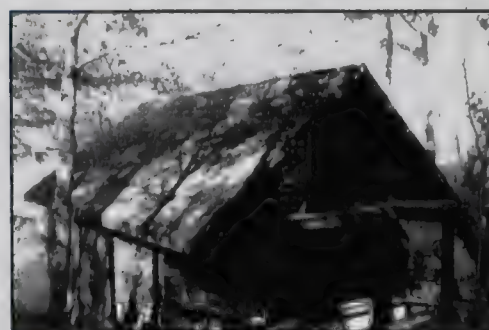


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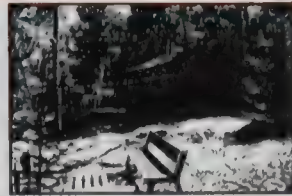
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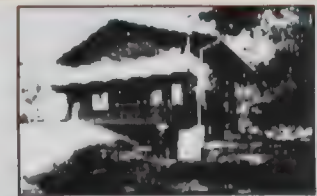


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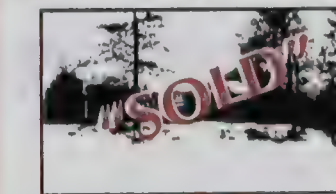
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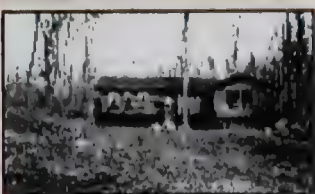
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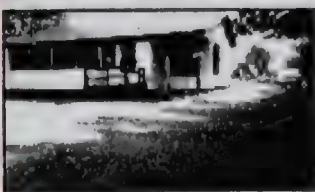
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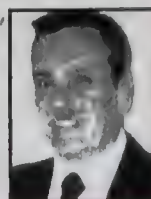
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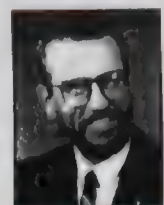


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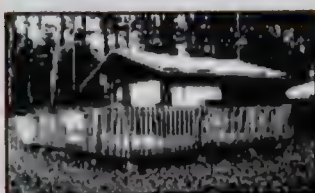
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An on-site visit to the Kabakwa (Peach) Lake access took place Wednesday, April 12. Members of the Stanhope Council braved a sudden snow storm to take another look at the area in question. Councillor Ann Barker felt optimistic about their possible decision. "If we build it, they will come," she said. After the inspection, the council will forward the information to the Board of Management which will then make a recommendation to council. The council has been examining improving vehicle parking and access to the lake. Reeve Eleanor Harrison and Councillor Jim Hicks are seen above, discussing the issue.

Stanhope considering mail-in ballots

The following items were discussed at the regular meeting of the Stanhope Municipal Council held April 12:

Bell Canada has notified Stanhope township council that the company has made applications with the CRTC to raise its phone rates in the area by 10%. The letter explained that under the present billing structure it is only meeting 76% of its service costs. The increase will be made effective May 31, 2000.

Police levy up

This year's Police Service Estimates for the township of Stanhope will be \$135,253 an increase from the amount of \$99,000 paid in 1999. The increase was attributed to the addition of two new constables at the Haliburton Highlands detachment. The council has asked for additional information about the increase.

Gas taxes

The council has decided to support a proposal made by Wellesley Township asking for a percentage of gas taxes to be handed over to lower tier governments. Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison agreed with

the proposal saying that the decision will have a major impact on the county. "We are all going to feel it," she said.

Emergency centre designation

Stanhope Council has agreed with County Emergency Services Committee Chairman Jim McMahon's suggestion that the alternative area for the Emergency Plan Centre in Stanhope be the township's Municipal Office.

Roadside clean-up

Ontario Works program participants will be cleaning litter and debris from the roadsides this summer in Stanhope Township. The program required approval from the Stanhope township council and access to the landfill site in order to complete the job effectively. "We can accommodate it. They provide a service for free," said Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

Mail-in voting?

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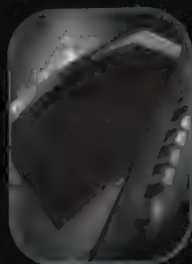
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CD theme song recorded at ASES session

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The ASES Library was a powerhouse of sound recently. Students and their parents travelled from all over the Trillium Lakelands District for the recording of an ensemble song for the Trillium Lakelands Millennium Project Fundraiser CD. One student from each of the 55 schools from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board was picked to represent each school as part of the chorus for the CD.

Children's entertainers, Rick and Terri Johnson, were there to organize the chorus. Rick, as well as David Midgley from CTV Recording Studios in Toronto, set up the library like a professional recording studio. Terri Johnson, who has been a children's entertainer for quite some time, as well as been nominated for two Juno Awards, was there to make the students feel welcome and to prepare them to sing. Terri has also been singing since she was 16 years old.

The couple have already recorded 22 of the 55 individual school songs and been to the 14 high schools in the district to get the solos of selected students. When the students heard the music of those already recorded, they were excited to be able to sing the song for the CD that would be heard by people all over the district.

"Every school is unique in its own way," says Rick Johnson, who is also a Board Trustee and organizer for the entire project. "We have even been to schools where the students have written the lyrics to their own school song which is absolutely amazing!"

ASES Representative was Jon Pawson, a student who sings in the Haliburton Highlands Children's Choir. When he was picked to sing in the ensemble for this CD, he was very excited and thought that it would be a fun experience. Josh Wales represented



Students from schools throughout the Trillium Lakelands district gathered at Archie Stouffer Elementary School recently to record a theme song. The musical number will be included in a CD featuring songs from each school and solos from a number of featured performers.

the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and Kate Campbell and Ryan Dawson sang solos earlier in the week.

"All of the profits from the CD will be used to support Music, Art and Theatre in all of the schools in the district," said Cheryl Murdoch, who was there to act as a representative for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. "It's good to see that the

project is going to make some money for those programs."

The money will be held in a trust fund to be accessed by the schools of the district for the Arts and Music programs. Parents hope the project will be a success and that the children also enjoy singing for such a good cause.

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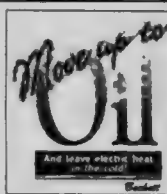
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HHHS board examines doctor recruitment strategies

There is a need to recruit more family physicians to work at the two main Haliburton Highlands Health Services sites. This conclusion was contained in a report prepared by the regional medical advisory committee and presented to the HHHS Board of Directors at its meeting Thursday. Specifically, it was suggested that the area should be recruiting physicians who would obtain hospital privileges and provide emergency services. "In the village of Minden, one of the main complaints is that there is always a new face," said HHHS member Doug Campbell. "From this standpoint, we need a secure base."

The drive to recruit physicians that won't leave the community is just one of the Board's goals. There is also need of a Medical Director for the new long-term care beds facility at the Haliburton site. Long waiting lists of patients adds to the overall problem.

Past president of the Board, Hugh Nichol, raised the spectre of former Premier Bob Rae's legacy on medical care in Ontario. He told the board, in the early 1990's the government reduced the number of places for students in the province's medical schools. The effects of that action are being reflected in the current problem. "It's fine to say we want to recruit, but we have to address these problems with our political leaders," said Nichol.

Some patients will require physicians to make home visits in the area. "For many patients, a ride in the car for an hour is next to impossible," said HHHS board member Peter White. The general consensus was that recruitment should include tapping into whole new pool that is not being reached now, including doctors trained in other parts of Canada and

in overseas location.

Currently, emergency coverage in Minden is provided by physicians who do not have a family practice in the area. It was suggested that the ultimate recruitment strategy would involve community physicians providing partial or full coverage of the Minden emergency site.

Medical practices in Kinmount and Haliburton are currently not taking new patients. The Board found an overall need to recruit new physicians in all areas of Haliburton County. To retain physicians to rural areas, the Board feels that they need to be trained in rural areas. Therefore, the HHHS may have to expand its role as a site for training rural family physicians. "I'd like to see family physicians in the emergency department," said Campbell.

Architectural firm proposed

The firm of Allen and Sherriff Architects Inc. has been proposed to provide services for the projects at Lindsay Collegiate, Bobcaygeon Public School, Jack Callaghan Public School and I.E. Weldon Secondary School. Ten firms were invited to submit proposals by the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. The decision to select the Allan and Sherriff firm followed interviews by a team, which included Chair of the Board Judy Saunders, Dave Maloney and Don Steele, with the plant department, and assistant superintendent of business Jim Bradley. Four firms were interviewed. The board must ratify the recommendation at its next meeting.

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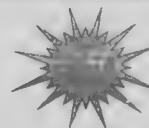


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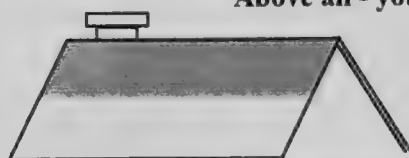
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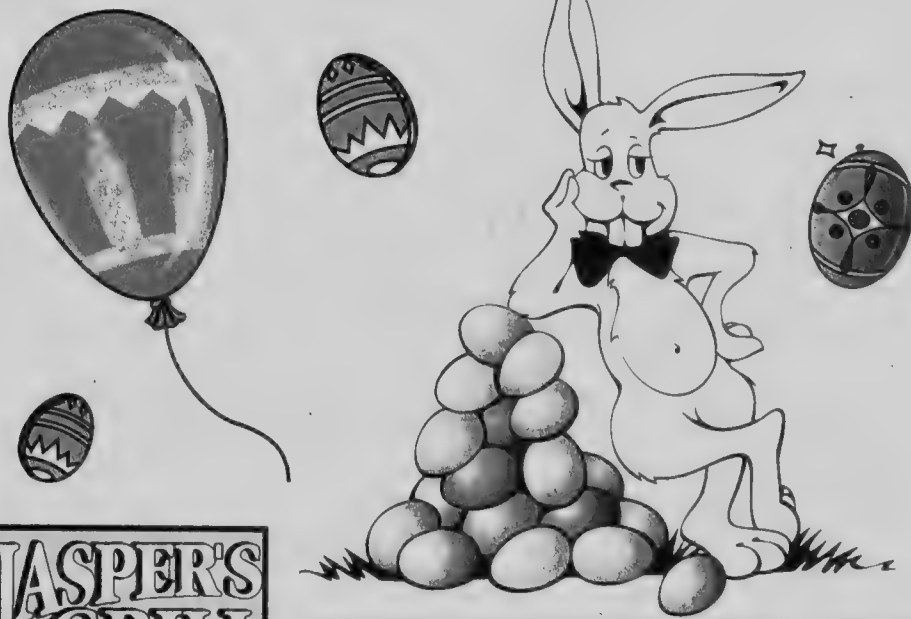
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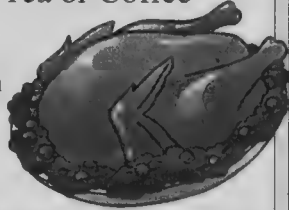
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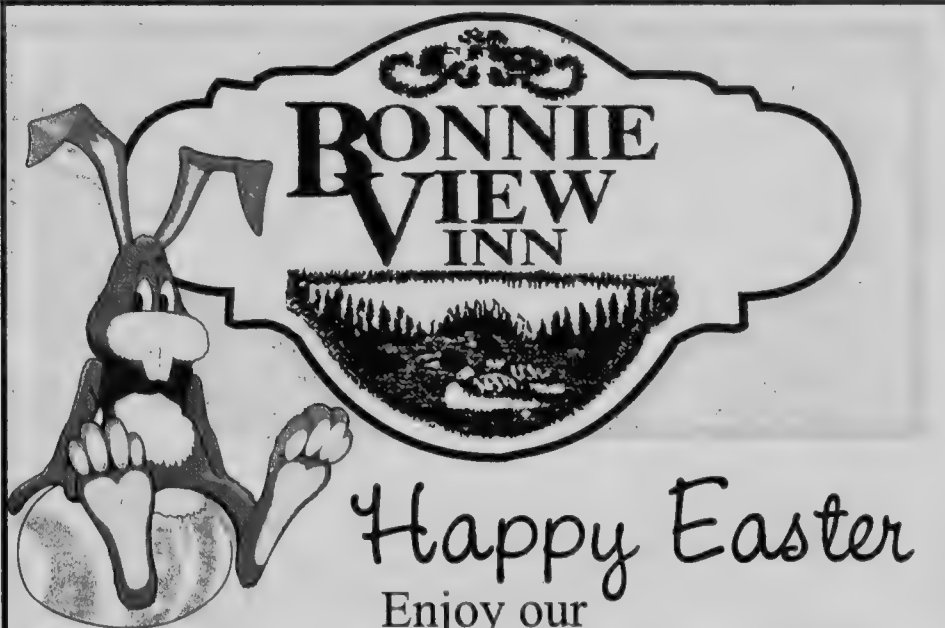
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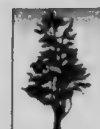
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New bus policy under review

Committee approval of the new Trillium Lakelands District School Board Transportation policy took place at a meeting on April 11 in Minden.

The policy harmonizes procedures and policies of the three former boards, recognizes the needs of students and attempts to balance transportation costs of home-to-school bussing with the available provincial funding allocated for transportation. Based upon consultation with committee members, including principals/vice principals, school councils, French Immersion instructors, and trustees, the policy addressed a number of areas.

Main policy concerns that had been raised included students from outside the school board being permitted access to the bus system. The issue of bus safety was also raised. Transportation service on year-round, municipally-maintained roads where certain parents were concerned as to why they could not access transportation for their children on their roads was an issue as well.

Safety of walking distances was also discussed. Lack of sidewalks, traffic speed, along with visibility

of children at early morning hours in certain areas made up the bulk of complaints.

Questions regarding how and when bus routes are planned were raised, along with school bus pick-up times. Parental concerns regarding eligibility for transportation were addressed.

Under the new policy, every Board-operated bus will display a "Conduct of Students on School Buses" sign in a highly visible location. Students will also receive a handout outlining behaviour expectations. A number of criteria must be met when determining safe bus stops, and students who live outside the Trillium Lakelands District School Board boundaries, who have received permission, may be granted bus transportation where an existing bus route is in operation, if there is room on the bus.

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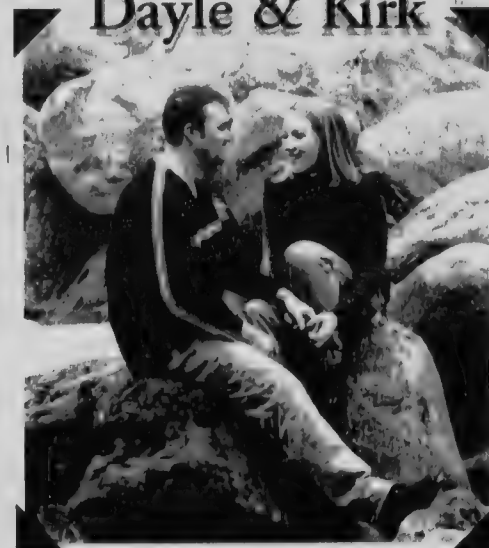
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Vet students find friendly welcome in Minden

A pair of veterinary students studying in Scotland are finding their stay in Canada very interesting. Quentin Robb, 23, and Lorna Black, 21, are nearing the end of a four-week placement in Minden.

The two extramural study students have travelled from the Glasgow Veterinary School in Scotland and are currently getting some hands-on training at the Minden Veterinary Hospital with Dr. Peter Bennett.

Both are in the fourth year of the program which requires them to complete on the job study during vacation time. The students had to complete six weeks of work last year and will have another nine weeks next year before they graduate.

Working toward Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery degrees, the two are enjoying their stay in Canada, where they have come into contact with animals which are not found in their native home. "I love it," says Black. "We have seen a bear cub,

and moose in Algonquin Park."

The pair has also had time to visit the Metro Toronto Zoo where they were able to witness a gorilla having its hand treated by zoo veterinarians, and observe some of the Zoo's breeding programs.

Robb says he likes the wide open spaces that Canada has to offer. "I've enjoyed the fishing, hunting and outdoor lifestyle of Canada," he said.

The two came to work in Minden through Black, who is dating Dr. Bennett's wife Sue's nephew. The two met while on an expedition on the Island of Cypress where they were studying green and loggerhead turtles. The students' parents live in South Africa.

"People here are so friendly," says Black. "The staff (at the clinic) especially. We are really enjoying our stay and would like to thank everyone who has helped us and wish them luck in the future."

The two started their placement on March 22, and will be finished April 19.



Quentin Robb and Lorna Black, with dogs Woody and Lucas. The veterinary students from Glasgow have been on placement at the Minden Animal Clinic since March 22.

Volunteers take pride in success of project

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has been clipped differently to distinguish them from one another.

Supplemental stocking of the Haliburton strain will also be done in a few lakes which have naturally reproducing lake trout populations. The goal in these lakes is to determine the impact, if any, the Haliburton strain fish will have on the current populations.

Flowers was really pleased with the fish raised at HHOA Hatchery. "Conditions at the hatchery are phenomenal," he said. "They are ideal for raising these fish."

The water temperature at the HHOA facility remains constant year round at about 8 degrees Celsius. The result is that the fish grow faster than the North Bay lake trout, which are raised in water which is about four degrees colder.

The Haliburton strain has reached a size averaging 60 grams and seven to eight inches. The North Bay fish, which are the same age, are half that size.

Flowers emphasized that the intent is not to hurt any natural lake trout populations. Some regulation changes will be made to assist with the monitoring and to assess the viability of such management techniques as slot size restrictions. Flowers pointed out that public consultation will precede any changes in regulations.

Fish in two lakes — Grace and Farquhar — will be

monitored as well. Those lakes will not be stocked with the Haliburton strain, but will act as a comparison with Miskwabi and Esson Lakes, which have been stocked with the Haliburton fish.

Other lakes which will receive Haliburton strain millennium lakers include Loon, Lipsy and Koshlong. A total of 8,000 Haliburton strain lake trout will have been stocked by the end of this week.

HHOA director John Ball, who is the hatchery chairman, had mixed feelings about the stocking process. On one hand, the fish have become like family pets to him and the other hatchery volunteers. On the other hand, it is a project that has come to a successful conclusion.

Victoria decision coming Wednesday

(from page 3)

The imposition of the Commissioner, and the fact his interim report appeared to ignore the work done so far to bring the three together, brought the process to a halt and angered many who felt they were creating a made in Victoria County solution.

In contrast to the somewhat fractious debate in Victoria County, Haliburton County municipalities proposed a reduction of jurisdictions from ten to four. The restructuring was approved by the province and the process is now under way in anticipation of the municipal election this November.

Near the end of the public deliberations, a group

"I'm very pleased," he said. "Our goal has been reached successfully."

HHOA and MNR personnel collected eggs from Halls Lake fish in October of last year and the intent is to continue with the egg collection from other lakes and the raising of Haliburton strain lake trout for stocking. It is already evident that the fish thrive in the HHOA Hatchery environment. It will take several years of monitoring to determine how successful the project is.

The HHOA is holding an open house at the Hatchery on Sunday, April 30. A few of the Haliburton strain lake trout will be on display in a large aquarium for the day.

of municipalities, including the townships of Bobcaygeon/Verulam, Fenelon Falls and the village of Sturgeon Point launched a court challenge to Kitchen's authority to make a decision on the future of local government. That court hearing was scheduled for last week, however the challenge was withdrawn when the townships were told that similar cases elsewhere in the province had confirmed the commissioner's authority and their case would likely not stand up.

So, after months of debate, it will be just a matter of few days before the future configuration of Victoria County will be known.

Stanhope considers alternate voting options

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ditional polling booths? That's the question facing Stanhope Council at the moment. A decision will be made pending information which will be gathered by Clerk Gerald Bain, who will be attending a workshop on the subject of voting by mail, April 25. Since Canada Post needs to hear of the decision by May 30, Council will make its decision after Bain's trip.

Times publisher receives Mary Knowles Award

Times Publisher, Jack Brezina, surrounded by staff members, received the Mary Knowles award for community service recently at the annual meeting of the Ontario Community Newspapers Association. On hand for the presentation with his wife Pat were Times staff members Susan Beers, Marlene Perrott, Ariel White, Jodi Rupnow, Autumn Robinson, Monica Horning, Bill Beers, and Chris Sadler. Missing were Gergg Anderson and Jerry Grozelle. The annual award recognizes a member of the community newspaper industry who is active in community betterment. The publisher was nominated by The Times staff. In accepting the award, Brezina told the convention his community involvement is only possible because of the support of his staff and family.



Police representatives don't sell ads, magazines

Solicitation

The Ontario Provincial Police has issued a caution to the public concerning the solicitation of money on behalf of police.

Individuals have been soliciting advertisements and subscriptions for magazines purportedly to provide safety information for children or to assist police in locating missing children. Often, the sales person will indicate that someone will be sent to pick up the money within a short period of time.

Some of the publications are known as Ontario Police Magazine; Ontario Provincial Police News; Our Provincial Police Today, and OPP News. According to a press release issued by head office in Orillia, the Ontario Provincial Police is not associated with any of these publications. Anyone receiving such a solicitation should exercise caution. Ask the caller for the business address, a phone number and past issues of the publication before committing any funds.

Break-ins

Police investigated a break and enter at a cottage on Ingoldsby Road in Minden Township April 7. The investigation revealed that the incident had happened some time since January 2000. Stolen from the location were a quantity of hand tools and a ladder.

On April 8, police investigated a break and enter at a cottage shed on Concession 4 in Guilford Township. The incident occurred some time within the past two weeks. Stolen from the location was an 18 hp Mercury outboard motor.

Police investigated a break and enter at a cottage on Concession 7 in Monmouth Township April 8. Stolen from the location were a refrigerator, Phantom vacuum, Braun coffee maker, toaster oven and an Emerson stereo. Total value of items stolen was approximately \$1,900.

A break and enter at a cottage on Highway 35 in Lutterworth Township was investigated April 9. The incident occurred sometime during the past two weeks. Stolen from the cottage was a red, 1990 model Honda 300, Fourtax ATV and a quantity of beer.

A television and stereo were taken in a break and enter at a cottage on West Lake Road in Dysart Township. The investigation revealed that the incident had occurred sometime since April 6.

On April 8, police investigated a break and enter at a residence shed on Concession 8 in Minden Township. The incident occurred sometime overnight when a lock had been pried off. Stolen from the shed were, among other items: a Craftsman 6 hp lawn mower; a Smith Corona ink jet printer; a Briggs and Stratton 12 hp lawn mower engine; an Audio Vox car stereo amplifier; and a Black and Decker palm sander.

Bike rodeo

One of the first signs of spring is the sight of children on bicycles.

In anticipation of the summer cycling season, the Dorset Bicycle Rodeo will be held on Saturday, April 29, at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The rodeo will teach young cyclists the skills they will need to operate a bike safely.

The Dorset Community Policing Committee, with the assistance of volunteers, community partners, and the Ontario Provincial Police, has organized this event in response to the community's interest in keeping children safe.

Children from Dorset and the surrounding area attending junior kindergarten to grade six are invited to register for the event at the Dorset Recreation Centre on the day of the rodeo at 9:30 a.m. The bike rodeo will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

As a result of the generosity of local merchants in the Dorset, Lake of Bays and Huntsville area, every participant will receive a prize. A draw for two new bicycles will be held and there will also be free hot dogs and pop for everyone. The Haliburton-Kawartha-Pine Ridge Health Unit will also be there providing snacks and valuable information to parents and children. In case of inclement weather, a rain date has been set for May 6. For more information contact Marlene Shortreed at 9705) 766-2409.

Driver charged

Officers with the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police investigated an incident on Concession 16 in Minden Township. At a vehicle stop police arrested Lawrence McKenzie, 68, of Snowdon Township.

The driver has been charged with impaired driving and driving with a blood alcohol level over the legal limit. He is scheduled to appear in Court on May 3.

Mischief

A cruiser parked in front of the Haliburton Community Policing Office was disabled April 8.

Officers, who had been in the building, discovered

three tires on the cruiser had been deflated when they returned to their vehicle at 2:30 a.m. A five pronged fish spear found nearby was believed to have been used to puncture the tires. Anyone with any information regarding this incident is asked to please contact Haliburton Highlands OPP at (705) 286-1431 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-563-8477.

Suspensions issued

Police have issued a number of 12 hour license suspension to drivers who failed to pass the roadside breathalyzer test. Included in recent suspensions was a 58 year-old male in Haliburton and a 39 year old man stopped while driving on Hunter Creek Road in Lutterworth Township.

Courses set for May in Lindsay

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or disaster. Police officers called to the scene of a crime will, with the consent of the individual in crisis, summon volunteer victim crisis workers for on-site short-term assistance. Thereafter, victims are referred to appropriate community programs for longer term support or counselling.

VCARS volunteers are recruited from within the community in which they serve. A comprehensive screening process and ongoing training ensures that victims are helped with dignity, respect, compassion and empathy. Strict confidentiality is required of volunteers. The VCARS training standard used for training volunteers in Victoria and Haliburton Counties was developed by the Ontario Ministry of the Solicitor General and Correctional Services. This Victim Assistance Service has been operational in Victoria and Haliburton Counties 24 hours per day, seven days a week since 1996. At present, referrals for victim assistance are accepted through police referral only. To be a volunteer, no previous experience is necessary.

A minimum 45-hour training program is provided and will commence in May 2000 in Victoria County. A limited number of spaces for this training program are presently available. All applicants are required to complete an application form, provide a minimum two references, submit to a criminal background check, attend all training sessions and be subject to evaluation prior to acceptance into this volunteer program.

Volunteer Application forms are available at Lindsay Police Service; 6 Victoria Ave. N., Lindsay, Victoria County OPP, 21 Angeline St. N., Lindsay, as well as Highway #48 Cobocok and Haliburton Highlands OPP, Highway 35, Minden.

VCARS is a non-profit registered charitable organization serving Victoria and Haliburton Counties and the Town of Lindsay. Funding for this program is provided by the Ontario Ministry of the Solicitor General.

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Crowd descends on trades expo

ASES student reports

by Christine Carr

On Tuesday, April 4, the grade 7 and 8 students of A.S.E.S. went to Peterborough at 9 a.m. and got back at 3 p.m. They went to the Evinrude Centre where the government-sponsored "Skill Trade Expo" was held. There were about 9000 kids there from all around the area. The government's purpose for this excursion was to give students the opportunity to talk to people about careers they may choose when older. Because of the huge crowd, many students did not get to talk to anyone. Next year the students hope the event is better organised over a period of a few days as opposed to being crammed into one.

Grades eights vs OPP

by Julie Snell

On Monday April 10, selected ASES grade eight students laced on skates to play a game of hockey against OPP officers. The game was played at the Minden Arena from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. It was a fun game which included many laughs. The whole school was invited to the game and most of the school went.

The game was organised by Dave Fletcher. "I thought it might be a good idea for kids to see a police officer in a different role rather than in a police uniform," said Dave.

The police team was made up of police officers who weren't on duty that day and who could play hockey. The ASES team, which was a mix of boys and girls, was picked by Mrs. Bennett. The coach was Ms. Winans and she was full of enthusiasm. A voluntary fee of 25 cents per person was charged and the collection was given to a children's charity.

At the game's end, police pulled the ASES goalie, Ryan Cole out of the net and pinned him up against the boards. The police shot from centre ice and, of course, scored. The OPP won by a score of 9 to 8. Afterwards the police bought the kids pizza, and many of the students hope there will be another game next year as well!

Teams participate in tournament

by Tyson C. Farrell

Thursday March 30, was an important day for the members of the Archie Stouffer Elementary School basketball teams. The three basketball teams from Minden school went to a tournament in Victoria County. The seven and eight boys team played a total of four games. They played Bobcaygeon, Coboconk, Dunsford, and Ridgewood teams.

Minden won against Bobcaygeon with a score of 31-21. In the second game they lost to Dunsford 26-22. In their third game they defeated Langton 22-6. In their final game against Ridgewood they beat their opponents 36-18.

The boys' coach, Mr. LaPierre, said, "The students are a very aggressive team that play with much skill." Although the grade seven and eight girls did not win any of their four games, they played with great effort.

The grade five and six mixed team took their loss well after they lost all their games. Their coach, Mrs. Reid, said, "The team played great and even though they didn't win any of their games they were still happy." The Archie Stouffer teams played with great effort all year. The teams can't wait for basketball season to begin next year.

The middle R

by Christine Carr and Jennifer Goodwin

On Tuesday, April 4, grades 4 to 6 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School had the pleasure of watching a presentation on reusing. The presentation was presented by Mr. Goldberg. He is the president of an organization called Earth Day Canada. Mr. Goldberg was on tour through Ontario.

He travelled from Toronto to Minden. A.S.E.S. was the only school in the area that was lucky enough to receive the presentation. The event promoted the use of the middle 'R' in the slogan Reduce, Re-Use, Recycle.

Mr. Goldberg showed a movie designed for kids. The movie was entertaining and informative. It was about the importance of reusing. The main message of the presentation was that people are making too much garbage. Also, we should use things more before throwing them out.

Sweet trip for kindergarten students

by Julie Snell

The morning of March 24, the A.S.E.S. kinder kids visited Mrs. Dawson's sugar bush. While there, the kindergarten students were involved in many activities including treasure hunts, and eating taffy on the snow. Mrs. Dawson had saved the snow in her freezer because it had melted outside by the time of the trip. The kinder kids also made maple mountains which are vanilla ice cream with maple syrup on top.

Signs of spring were collected with the help of parent volunteers. The parents helped organize and control the trip. "If it were not for the parents, it wouldn't have been possible for the trip to happen," said Mrs. Dawson.

All the kindergarteners enjoyed the trip to the sugar bush and want to go again!



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Maple Lake U. C. W. were our hosts last Thursday (April 6), despite the terrible snowy weather. We were very pleased to have them join us. They provided a delicious tea with lots of variety and lovely companionship. Our thanks to them as we enjoyed ourselves. The following afternoon the Coopers were here to entertain us at our Happy Hour. The wonderful music was welcomed and we appreciate their visits.

Over the weekend we were sorry that Gord Kennedy was unable to come and play for us. Hope he can make it again in the near future. We do enjoy his music. However we did tuck into some delicious ice cream, "cherry cheesecake": sounds wonderful doesn't it? Well it is. Rev. Burgess was in on Sunday for his visitations. We're always glad to see him.

Over the last few days there has been lots of packing going on. We have been kept busy with exercise programs, walks and lots of community visitors. The weather has certainly put a damper on our walks, but as long as there is good footing we just bundle up and go.

Today we (Roving Reporters) are tucked into an alcove for our meeting, as the auditorium is full of packed items. All of our portraits are off the walls and have been taken to the new wing. We thought it best we try and keep out of the way, we just might be created up also.

We send belated birthday wishes to Rick Edwards who celebrated on the 14th, Vera Stevens on the 15th and Marjorie Watt on the 16th. There is going to be a

special birthday celebration on the 15th for Rick Edwards as it is his 50th. Will have to tell you about it next week.

Senior League

by the Roving Reporters

Upcoming birthdays are Eunice Moore, April 24th and Eleanor Pye, April 28th. Happy Birthday ladies! Hope you enjoy your special day.

Our get-well wishes go out to Maude Coulter who is under the weather. Hope you are better soon.

We were very pleased to welcome back Betty Gillespie (member of our nursing staff). Betty had surgery recently and it is good to see her once more.

By the way, before we sign off we must tell you of our special visitor on the last day of March. Our friend Barbara Mangle who is now a resident of Sudbury, paid us a flying visit. Barbara was a volunteer here and provided us with a wonderful program (Quiet time). It was good to see her even briefly.

Well guess that's it. By this time next week we'll be writing this from our new location. Have to catch you up on the latest then. Keep smiling and think spring.

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The Proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 27th day of April, 2000, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

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Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4450; email <mindenhouse@on.abn.com>)

It is Spring! Even with all the evidence to the contrary, I now have proof!! It is time to consider participating in Sneaker Day, which is taking place on Friday, May 12. Everybody knows that Sneaker Day takes place in the Spring!! The event, which promotes the benefits of walking for better health, has rolled around again. This annual event also reminds us of how time flies!!

In fact this is the sixth year of Sneaker Day. Last year's route proved to be so popular that it is going to be repeated this year. For those of you who will be doing it for the first time, that route starts out at the gazebo by the bridge, through the wilderness trail, past the arena, to Beaver Creek, and then returns through the grounds of the Town Museum. A pleasant 2.75 km stroll. A great walk and a great way to visit areas of our village you might not see otherwise!! Put the date on your calendar and start preparing for the exercise if this is a new venture for you!! I will remind you of the upcoming event as the weeks build up to May 12!! Not far off actually!!

Another great way to treat yourself is to attend the Easter Pancake Breakfast at the Minden Legion, Branch 636, on Saturday, April 22, 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. They will be serving juice, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs and of course pancakes. Cost is by donation and everyone is welcome. It is always fun to go out for breakfast and it feels good to support all the good work the members of the Legion do for our community.

Good wishes to everyone over the Easter season. Another time for family to gather; a significant time for Christians; a time to feel the stirring of new

beginnings. There are sprouts of flowers showing through the snow which continues to plague us!! The shoots don't appear to have given up yet, so soon we should see the full bloom of April and May flowers!!

However you spend it, have a week-end of well-being!!

SCORING NEWS

First to clear up a misprinting in the column last week. There will be no cards on Easter Monday afternoon at the Friendship Club. Euchre will be played as usual at Club 35 on Easter Monday evening.

Thursday, April 6: Euchre at the Minden Legion. Lois Adamson and Jim Bradbury won most lone hands. Georgina Parkes and Elva Paisley were the high scorers and Elaine Blakey and Kevin Maloney were the lows. Gala Stamp, Jayne Cooper and Helen Skelding won the other prizes.

Friday, April 7: Duplicate Bridge at Echo Hills. Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf were first with 63% and Reet Murray and Maria Lehoczy were second with 52%.

Monday, April 10: The Friendship Club at St. Paul's, playing Euchre, saw Jack Chilton win lone hands. Esther Lee was high woman and Kevin Maloney was high man. Katie Parker was low. Don Hicks won the 50/50 draw. So there are no cards next Monday because of Easter.

Bid Euchre was played over at the Railway Station in Kinmount at 1 p.m. where everyone is still welcome!! Kit

Schroter was Numero Uno and Dorothy McElwain was second. Ida Young won two moonshots and Gladys Bowman won one. David Leslie won the draw.

At Club 35, where Euchre will be played next Easter Monday, as it will be played tonight, last week Jean Dutka won the 50/50 draw. Ivan Kernohan won lone hands. Helen Windsor took the high score for the women and Cliff Woolner did the same for the men. Hilda Murrell and Harry Randell followed with the lows. Marilyn Teljue took home the baloney.

Tuesday, April 11: Senior Bid Euchre at the Minden Legion. Dorothy McElwain was first, Iris Taylor second with Jack Chilton and Trudy Kroes tying for third. Marg McAfee found the hidden score. Isabel Cherwenka, Gala Stamp, Marie Dennie and Ann Baker each won a moonshot.

No slams were bid or made in Bridge at Stanhope. But the group welcomed home the Crouchers from their winter hiatus in the south. Of course they went on to win some of the high scores of the day!! Vange Croucher was fourth with 4970 and Jack Croucher was third with 5140. Welcome back Crouchers!! Stan Hill was second with 5430 and Morris Hansen came first with 5990!! The special award of the day was the A.L.I.C.C. Award; short for "At least I can Curl"

which last week went to Helen Rice!!

In Gelert in the evening, playing Euchre, May Hicks was high woman and Ann Francis was low. Don Curry was high man and Ted Wilkes was low. Audrey Vick took lone hands and Harold Harvie won the 50/50 draw.

Wednesday, April 12: Duplicate Bridge at Parklane saw enough people there to play the Mitchell method. So in North/South: Nick Lehoczy and Mike Collins were first with a great score of 67%; Morris and Wynne Hansen were second with 50%. In East/West: the returned Crouchers were first with 59.5%; and Dennis Baker and Dorothy Thayer were second with 53.5%.

When Gala Stamp phoned in the results for Bid Euchre up at Stanhope, she suggested that at least this weather gives us something to talk about!! It's good for something!! Clear night to drive home from cards, but cold!! Lots of moonshots going to Willi Cox, Norm Lee, Ken Wallace, Marcel Roussel, Jean Dutka with 2 (Whoppee!!). The top scores went to: Bev Swick and Sharon Evans tied with 266; Rob Evans, 280; Gala Stamp, 307; and Ken Wallace with a great score of 331!!

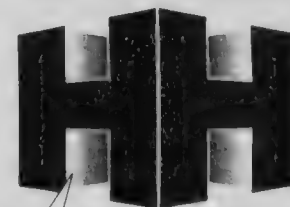
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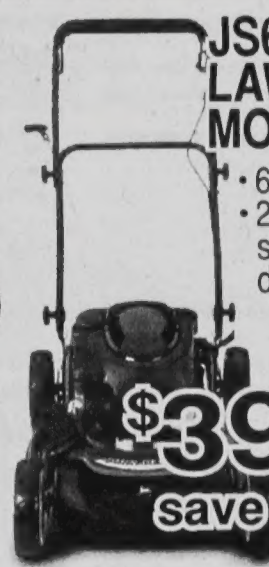
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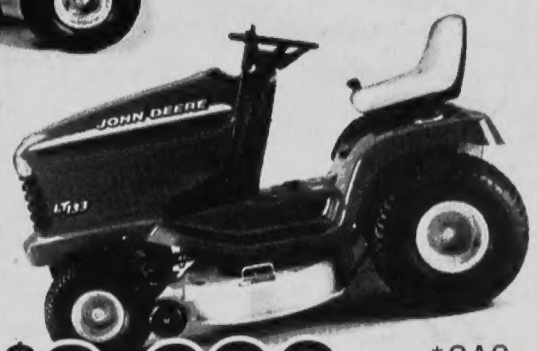


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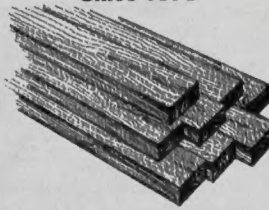
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FORAN, Bruna Iva

Peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Friday, April 7th, 2000 in her 63rd year. Beloved wife of Ron, dear mother of Jeff of Scarborough and Greg of Whitby. Dear sister of Delia Lucarelli. Fortier of Connecticut and Guido Minardi of Collingwood. At Bruna's request, there will be no service. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

NEWTON, M. Evelyn (Hall)

Peacefully, on a April 6th, following a lengthy illness, at Dufferin Oaks in Shelbourne. Dear wife of the late W. Jack Newton. Loving mother of Ralph & Francine, Minden, Catherine and Bob Daniel, Bracebridge, Brian & Debbie, Orangeville, & Wayne & Kathy, Shelbourne. Grandma will be sadly missed by her grandchildren, Christopher & Jerri, Jacqueline & Wayne Britton, John & Keri Daniel, James & Natalie Daniel, Paul & Michiele, Cherie-Anne & Steve Yokeama, Lee, Amanda, & by her great granddaughter Breanna. The funeral was held on Saturday April 8th at Dods & McNair Funeral Home in Orangeville.

BULL Hazel E.

Passed away at the Haliburton Hospital after a lengthy illness on Thursday, April 13th, 2000 in her 87th year. Dear wife of the late Stuart Bull. Dear mother of Lorna and her husband the late Willard Bridgman, Lorraine and her husband the late Clinton Mitton, and predeceased by her son Lorne Bull. Survived by 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and by one great-great-granddaughter. Predeceased by her brother Cecil Walker, and by sisters Edith Dunbar, Agnes Baynton, Alma Briggs, Reita Harrison, and Eva Walker. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Saturday, April 15, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. Reception followed in the Family Centre at the Funeral Home. Interment at 12 Mile Lake Cemetery, Carnarvon. Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

IN MEMORIAM

RUSSELL, Francis J. (McDonald)

Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Thursday, April 13, 2000 in her 81st year. Beloved wife of the late Howard Frederick Russell. Dear mother of Patrick and his wife Helen of Cobocok, Donald and his wife Nancy of Victoria Road, and predeceased by daughter Mary Ellen. Loving grandmother of Carol and Janice. Dear sister of Kathleen Cameron of Oshawa and predeceased by Mary Crowley, William McDonald, Patrick McDonald, Margaret McNish and James McDonald. Fondly remembered by her many nieces and nephews. Friends were invited to visit the family at her home, (the Russell Residence) 414 Talbot River Road, Victoria Road, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Sunday. Then to Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Victoria Road for Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, April 17, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery. Rosary Prayers at the family home on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. 127 Main St., Minden (1-705-286-2181).

NEWBERY, Reginald Bartlett

On Saturday, April 15, 2000 at the Minden Hospital, with his devoted and beloved wife Wynn at his side. He would have been 96 on May 1st. The son of the late Clara and George Bartlett Newbery, Reg was the adored father of Lillian Marie Dorothy and Norman Edward and stepfather of Patricia Yvonne Walshe. He was the supportive and esteemed father-in-law of Susan Newbery, Patrick Walshe and the late Ray Timson. He was the loving and admired grandfather of Liam Patrick Edward Walshe and Harry Bartlett Timson. He is survived by his sisters Kathleen and Dorothy. He was predeceased by sisters Eleanor Keith and Margaret and by brothers George and Harry. The Funeral Service will take place at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden, on Monday, April 17, 2000 at 2 p.m. Reception to follow in the St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall. Interment will be held at the Old St. Thomas Churchyard, St. Thomas, Ontario, on Wednesday April 19, 2000 at 2:30 p.m. Memorial donations to St. Paul's Anglican Church Rebuilding Fund or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main Street, Minden (1-888-588-5777).

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To Aaron, my sweet son,
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PRENTICE, Marg

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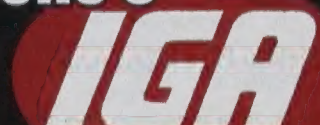
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